EMIHS 5-minute Lineup Drill

Xylazine (tranq, zombie)

What: a potent veterinary tranquilizer being added to illicit drugs

Why its important: it mimics the effects of a Fentanyl OD but does not respond to naloxone

What do I do about it: You won't know the patient has ingested it other than naloxone may not be effective. Continue support with ventilations, use airway adjuncts and intubate if necessary

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